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Fall of Paris and Overthrow of the Commune.

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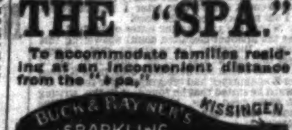

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1871.

THE FALL OF PARIS.

The French have at last taken Paris, and the obstinacy of the defence shows but faintly what a difficult task it would have been for the Prussians to have attempted to capture the city by assault, or by any other mode than famine. We can well imagine that General Trochu, with a large and well-disciplined army, and with 3,000 of the best artillerists in the world, transferred from the French navy to the forts and ramparts, all fighting behind the most perfect fortifications, could have bidden defiance to any enemy but hunger. We can well understand the anxiety of the Prussian leaders when General De Paladines was marching to the relief of Paris, and their only available force to confront him was still besieging Metz. The surrender of this fortress was the death-knell to French hopes. It opened the gates of Paris, against which the cannon of Germany might have thundered in vain till doomsday.

The city now presents the spectacle of an army of 100,000 Frenchmen forcing their way, at the cannon's mouth, through the streets, among 2,000,000 of people in the face of an opposing army that cannot longer resist and dare not surrender. One cannot read without a shudder the account of MacMahon's advancing along the *Champs Elysees*, sweeping the broad avenue of its living tide with a cannonade from sixty guns. Of course, a Government cannot compromise with an insurrection; but the aim of a government which would secure a broad foundation in the affections of its people, must be to comprehend their wishes and to put itself in their place. The Thiers' Government seems likely to succeed to the necessities and dangers of Napoleon III. It must, like him, rely on the rural, conservative, Catholic party for support, and must, like him, keep a standing army.

M. Thiers, in his speech to the Assembly, promises to visit with swift execution the leaders of the Paris insurrection. In so doing he will execute a few of the chief representatives of the Internationale organizations, whose ramifications pervade all Europe, and include two millions of workingmen. Executions directed against such agencies will only add to their unity and strength. It would be far wiser now to make terms with them and the ideas they represent, so as to remove their grounds of complaint and give their opinions a fair voice and hearing.

Much as we might wish to see France delivered from the calamities that scourge her, no such result is yet near. During her troubles, seventeen German army corps have been encamped in France, and an expense of thirty-seven millions of francs per month has been accumulating, in addition to the first instalment of the Prussian war indemnity, which she has already announced her inability to pay. If Napoleon, with some outward show of popular support and financial prosperity, could not meet the expenses of the government, it will be far more difficult for Thiers to do so, increased, as they will now be, by the larger standing army rendered necessary by the distrust of the Communists. The burdens resting on the French, as tax-payers, must prove exhausting to the people as well as to the government. In short, survey the field from what point of view we will, the prospect for France is dark indeed. Paris has fallen. But it must be long, very long, before France shall rise.

IMPRISONMENT BY SENATORS.

Senators Carpenter and Conkling have succeeded in cooping up two newspaper reporters in some of the [illegible] of the Capitol building, in charge of the Sergeant-at-Arms—the only important or interesting thing that either has done in his Senatorial career. The jailers, in this case, hoped to shut up the jailees in a damp [illegible] cell, behind a door of iron bars, there to repose on an iron bed [illegible] until the latter should get ready to violate their pledges by telling from whom they obtained a copy of a treaty which they have already sworn they did not get from any Senator or any employe of the Senate, thereby bringing the case to a point where it is none of the Senate's business from whom they got it.

In a case which has just arisen in Massachusetts, the Supreme Court of that State, upon a *habeas corpus*, brought out two prisoners from confinement, in which they had been placed under the orders of a committee of the Massachusetts Legislature, for a similar refusal to answer questions, and discharged them. This decision sustains the view recently expressed by us, that the power of a legislative body to commit a witness for contempt in refusing to answer questions is not an arbitrary one, depending solely on the caprice of members of the Legislature, but is one limited and defined by law. The rights of a State Legislature are as full in these respects as those of Congress. The courts of the United States can as promptly release on *habeas corpus* a prisoner unlawfully held by an order of Congress, as the courts in Massachusetts can release a victim of the tyranny of a committee in that State.

Let us see the shadowy legal basis on which Conkling and Carpenter are proceeding.

There is nothing in the Constitution of the United States requiring, or even authorizing, the Senate to keep a treaty secret while under discussion, or to withhold it from publication at any time, nor has Congress passed any law authorizing the Senate to close its doors and sit in secret session over a treaty. The whole [illegible] of secrecy relative to a treaty is contrary to that spirit of publicity and accountability which distinguishes free government. The State Legislatures and the people have the same right to hold Senators responsible, politically, for their votes upon treaties as on other questions. This is not a mere privilege or favor, but an absolute right essential to free government. Yet this right of the people is nullified by a pretended right of the Senate to close its doors and debate in secret. On what foundation rests this pretence? Certainly not on any implication of the constitution, nor on any inference from any law. It is a dead and rotten usage of monarchies; one of the relics of kingcraft, diplomacy, and double-dealing, which has crept almost unchallenged, not into the fabric of our laws,—for they nowhere sanction it,—but merely into the standing rules of the Senate.

It may gratify the vanity of Senators to see the people shut out of their councils, as they are (theoretically) from those of the House of Lords in England, or from the councils of the chiefs of a Bedouin tribe when plotting to rob a caravan. In our constitution and laws, however, there is no provision for gratifying this propensity.

Certainly there is no law forbidding the publication of a treaty, and hence whoever could get hold of it would have full right to publish it. There is a rule of the Senate forbidding a Senator to disclose information obtained in secret session; but this is a rule binding on Senators only, not a law under which newspaper correspondents can be imprisoned. To this [illegible] of the utter absence of all legal ground for the Senate to stand upon, in ordering the two citizens, White and Ramsdell, into jail, we must still add that Senator Fenton, whom it is designed to reach in some way by imprisoning them, has solemnly stated, and offered to testify, that he never saw a copy of the treaty, written or printed, until ten hours after it had appeared in the New York *Tribune*. To sum up all, we have a Senate who, to gratify two Senators in their quarrel with a third, have ordered into illegal and indefinite imprisonment two citizens who are neither Senators nor employes of the Senate, for refusing to answer a question which in no way pertained to any Senate, relating to an act which was not committed by a Senator, which act when committed was [illegible]

PUBLIC CONTRACTS—JUDGE FARWELL'S DECISION.

We published, yesterday, the decision of Judge Farwell upon an action brought in the chancery side of the Circuit Court, in which was brought in question the right of the Board of Public Works to discriminate against a bidder apparently irresponsible, and in favor of [illegible]. The Court declared that it had no power to interfere in a case where it did not appear that the board erred in its estimate of the complainant's responsibility, nor that their award was detrimental to the public interests.

The circumstances of the case are these: The contract for the building of the lake tunnel was to be let to the lowest responsible bidder. The city charter makes the Board of Public Works the judges of the responsibility of bidders. On the first advertisement for proposals, in October last, the lowest bidders were a concern called McHugh & Co., or, rather, a man named McHugh, who kept the board dancing attendance while he searched the streets for a person willing to be his "Co." No such person being found, and all responsible bids being, in the opinion of the board, too high, a new advertisement was ordered. In response to the second advertisement there were 31 bids, of which 18 were from mythical firms, consisting of somebody "& Co.," and in no case, if we recollect rightly, was the partnership one of regular standing by which the individuals composing the alleged firm could be identified. A large proportion of the names, too, were either unknown to the board or so known as to throw doubt on their ability to perform the work.

Of this latter class was John Kelly, who, with his mysterious "Co.," was on hand with a bid lower than that of Steele & McMahon, who got the contract. It is now claimed that the "Co." was a party of the name of Hallahan, who was not then visible, and whose presence would not probably have inspired any additional confidence in the responsibility of the firm, especially as, even at this date, there is no evidence brought forward of any articles of copartnership between the two. As to Mr. Kelly, all that was known of his antecedents, by the members of the board, was that, coming to Chicago from the South, a year or two ago, he had been employed as a rodman by some of the engineers; that he made a very good rodman, and that he was promoted to be an Inspector of Sewers—a place paying $20 or $25 per week; but that he did not make a good Inspector, and was consequently dismissed. These circumstances, even reinforced by Kelly's claim that he possessed $5,000 or $6,000 worth of property, did not satisfy the board of his ability to fulfil a contract involving an expenditure of over $300,000. Skipping over a half-dozen or so of fictitious firms and bids, evidently speculative, they awarded the contract to Steele & McMahon, at $40,000. Kelly swore out an injunction against the building of the tunnel, which was to have been commenced last winter, and the injunction still operates, by reason of Kelly's appeal to the Supreme Court from the decision of Judge Farwell.

A decision from the higher tribunal can hardly be expected before midwinter; so that Mr. Kelly, notwithstanding he did not get the contract, will have succeeded in causing the city a considerable expense in the way of law-suits, to say nothing of the delay of the work on the tunnel. It is to be hoped, however, that the decision in this case will serve to protect the city in the future from the nuisance of straw bids and contract-scalpers. These fellows lie in wait for lettings of contracts by auction, and put in bids ruinously low, with the hope either of [illegible] some person with means, on whom they can speculate as the work goes on, or else of being bought off by some bidder above them before the contract is made.

The sudden prostration of the Hon. Schuyler Colfax excites deep solicitude and sympathy throughout the country. We still trust this untimely event may prove to be of a less serious nature than has been at first reported. Mr. Colfax is an inveterate worker, and especially a laborious writer of letters, which, unlike most men having so heavy a correspondence, he usually pens with his own hand. After several days of specially arduous letter-writing, and a long forenoon spent in the close atmosphere of the Senate Chamber, whose doors were closed for secret session, Mr. Colfax was suddenly attacked by a disease which was certainly in part of nervous origin, however it may have been aided by bad air and overwork. Later advices indicate that he is recovering. His admirable habits of diet and regimen, and general vigor of constitution are strongly in his favor. We hope, in a few days, to record his complete restoration. His severe attack is another of the frequent lessons taught us of the danger of overworking our really industrious men. Perhaps, also, it may be regarded by the Senate as a new reason for adopting the rule offered by Senator Sumner, that hereafter all sessions of the Senate for the consideration of treaties be with open doors, windows, and ventilators. We think not only the air of the Senate should be ventilated, but its doings also. Closed doors are as dangerous to legislation as to life.

The Democratic Central Committee of Cincinnati have "unanimously and cordially endorsed" the Dayton platform of Vallandigham, and warmly commended it to the Democracy of the State of Ohio. The leaders of the party exhibit considerable disposition to accept the "new departure" for the sake of success and the spoils of office. Whether it will find favor in the eyes of the rank and file remains to be seen; but, judging from the past history of that party, and the sentiments which have heretofore animated them, it will not be readily swallowed. And if the Democratic State Convention should adopt Vallandigham's platform, there is no likelihood that it will gain them a vote at the polls. The people will still continue to be skeptical as to the sincerity of their conversion to Republican principles. There is one way in which the Ohio Democracy can prove the veracity of their professions of having experienced a change of heart, and that is, to disband their organization and knock for admission into the Republican party. This will attest their sincerity and the genuineness of their conversion. They can exercise vastly greater influence inside of the Republican church than outside of it. Vallandigham expresses fears of the centralizing tendencies of the Republican party. Let the members of the Democratic party join the Republican organization, and they will be able to correct all such tendencies. After the Democracy discard their old policies and principles and accept those of their opponents, it is very absurd to maintain a separate organization. Two parties, to carry out the same programme, are wholly unnecessary, and will be in each other's way. The Republican party are the majority of the people, as has been proven by many struggles. Its members can have no motive or inducement for deserting it for the purpose of joining the ranks of another party, merely because it has promised to support Republican principles. They are sure their party will continue to maintain those principles, but they cannot be certain their life-long opponents will do the same in good faith. A bird in the hand is worth two in a bush; a certainty should never be given up for an uncertainty, when the latter can by no possibility be more valuable than the former.

If the Democratic organization shall disband, and its members merge themselves into the Republican party, they are sure of getting about half the offices—Federal, State, and municipal. By keeping up a separate organization they deprive themselves of a moiety of Federal offices, and greatly reduce their chances of State and municipal patronage. If the Democrats, therefore, really [illegible], the sensible thing to do is to throw up their useless and demoralized organization, and march into the ranks of the Republican army with drums beating and flags flying.

An institution of a novel and altogether interesting character is, we understand, about to be established [illegible]. The object of this charity is to provide a home for deserving women of unexceptionable character [illegible] who are without friends and without means, it is hoped, not only that many be saved from the [illegible] of want and the degradation of the [illegible], but that some, at least, may find there a refuge from temptation which poverty sometimes renders irresistible. It is expected that such an institution may in time become self-sustaining through the labors of its inmates, among whom various light manufactures may be introduced. Its foundation is a donation of a hundred acres of land at Lamberton, ten of which are to be reserved for the buildings and grounds of the home, and the remaining ninety are offered for sale, from which sale, it is hoped, enough will be realized for the initiative purposes. The association has organized by an election of a board of managers of well-known men of high standing here and elsewhere, and it now comes before the public with an appeal for co-operation from all benevolent societies and persons in furtherance of its laudable object. The association has an office in this city, at the northwest corner of LaSalle and Madison streets.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

[illegible]

IOWA.

—"In surveying the coal statistics the world over, I am satisfied that the coal crop of Iowa, in the next decade, will increase faster than the average of corn and wheat," writes Professor J. D. Butler, of the Vermont University, to the Montpelier *Chronicle*.

—In Louisa County, a few days ago, a man sold a lot of wood to a neighbor, without heeding the opposition his wife offered to the bargain. [illegible]

WISCONSIN.

[illegible]

INDIANA.

A Sullivan County juror, being fined for contempt of court, coolly requested the Judge to "charge the fine, and wait till harvest for the money."

—Captain Boswell, formerly of the Eighteenth and One Hundred and Fiftieth Regiments Indiana Volunteers, was killed, on Thursday of last week, near Rossville, Clinton County, by a limb from a falling tree,—his shoulder, back, thigh, and skull being broken.

[illegible]

MINNESOTA.

[illegible]

NEBRASKA.

[illegible]

CROPS.

[illegible]

THE PRESBYTERIANS.

Second Day's Session of the General Assembly.

Annual Report on the Subject of the Church Publications.

Proposed Establishment of a Distinct Department of Sabbath School Work.

Report of the Committee Appointed to Raise and Distribute the Memorial Fund.

Over Seven and One-Half Millions of Dollars Contributed During the Year.

MORNING SESSION.

The Assembly convened for the transaction of business at half-past 9 o'clock yesterday morning, after the usual devotional exercises.

[illegible]

AFTERNOON SESSION.

[illegible]

EVENING SESSION.

[illegible]

BOARD OF HEALTH.

[illegible]

OBITUARY.

Death of Hon. Henry S. Fitch.

[illegible]

ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT.

[illegible]

THE BAPTISTS.

Closing Exercises of the Missionary Union.

Reports of Committees and Interesting Addresses.

The Presbyterian Assembly Congratulated—To-Day.

MORNING SESSION.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

[illegible]

EVENING SESSION.

[illegible]

AFFAIRS AT THE ARMORY.

[illegible]

AMUSEMENTS.

[illegible]

THE PEACE CELEBRATION.

[illegible]

SIGGENMEYER.

Return of the Supposed Murderer of Gumbleton to Chicago.

Appearance of the Prisoner—Details of His Arrest.

What He Told Dixon on the Steamer, En Route for America.

Partial Confession, Yesterday to the Reporters.

[illegible]

BENNETT MEDICAL COLLEGE.

[illegible]

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

[illegible]

JEWELRY.

Jewellers, Silversmiths.

NEW GOODS

Received Daily.

N. MATSON & CO.,

117 Lake-st.

WATCHES, JEWELRY, ETC.

New Styles.

A. H. MILLER,

THE LEADING

JEWELLER IN THE WEST.

ESTABLISHED IN 1856.

[illegible]

Watches, Diamonds, Silverware, Fine Jewelry, of every design, Marble Clocks, [illegible], Bronze Music Boxes, Fine Fancy Goods, &c.

COR. RANDOLPH AND CLARK-STS.

GENERAL NOTICES.

[illegible]

SPECIAL NOTICES.

[illegible] Royal Havana Lottery, of Cuba.

[illegible]

REAL ESTATE.

[illegible]

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, May 23.

The policy of Philadelphia and Baltimore, in [illegible]

COMMERCIAL.

[illegible]

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FUNERAL NOTICES.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Royal Havana Lottery, of Cuba.

REAL ESTATE.

COMMERCIAL.

The following table shows the receipts and shipments of produce at this point during the past twenty-four hours:

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, May 23.

The policy of Philadelphia and Baltimore in organizing a great railway consolidation to concentrate trade in those cities ...

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO LUMBER MARKET.

CHICAGO DRY GOODS MARKET.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Herkimer County Dairy Market.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

New York Dry Goods Market.

Southern Cotton Markets.

The Produce Markets.

NEW YORK.

BUFFALO.

NEW ORLEANS.

MILWAUKEE.

NASHVILLE.

PHILADELPHIA.

TOLEDO.

ST. LOUIS.

DETROIT.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Port of Chicago.

ARRIVED.

Illinois and Michigan Canal.

Vessels Passed Welland Canal.

Lake Freights.

Disasters.

Miscellaneous Items.

MEDICAL CARDS.

Dr. Bigelow.

Dr. E. A. Bassett.

Dr. A. G. Olin.

Private Matters.
DR. F. D. CLARKE.

Dr. Townsend.

Dr. Clark.

Dr. A. G. Olin.

The Bridal Chamber.

Avoid Quacks.

HOSTETTER'S BITTERS.
You Haven't Tried Them.

OCEAN NAVIGATION.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
Through Line to California and China.
FARES GREATLY REDUCED.
FOR CHINA AND JAPAN.

TIME-TABLE.

Arrival and Departure of Trains

SPRING ARRANGEMENT.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

LAKE SHORE & MICHIGAN SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

CHICAGO, BURLINGTON & QUINCY RAILROAD.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL AND GREAT WESTERN.

CHICAGO, ALTON & ST. LOUIS RAILROAD.

CHICAGO, DANVILLE & VINCENNES RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI & ST. LOUIS RAILROAD.

CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND & PACIFIC RAILROAD.

CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY.

HELMBOLD'S MEDICINES.

APRIL,
MAY, and
JUNE.

PURIFY THE BLOOD!

IN THESE MONTHS.

HELMBOLD'S
FLUID EXTRACT
SARSAPARILLA
Cures all Eruptions of the Skin.

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Cures the worst form of Blood Disease.

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Enters readily into the Circulation of the Blood.

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Beautifies the Complexion.

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One Bottle is equal in strength to one gallon of the Syrups or Decoctions ... A Delightful Beverage.

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A Pleasant, Safe, and Agreeable Cathartic.

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Used in all affections where a Purgative Medicine is needed.

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Harmless to a child, and taken by children.

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Supersede Magnesia, Salts, and every other Purgative.

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CATAWBA GRAPE PILLS.
Certain in effect and pleasant in operation.

HELMBOLD'S
CATAWBA GRAPE PILL
IS NOT A PATENTED PILL.

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Are composed of CATAWBA GRAPE JUICE and FLUID EXTRACT RHUBARB.

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TO INSURE
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WM. R. WARNER & CO.

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November 4, 1854.
I am acquainted with Mr. H. T. Helmbold; he occupied the drug store opposite my residence, and was successful in conducting the business where others had not been equally so before him. I have been favorably impressed with his character and enterprise.
WILLIAM WEIGHTMAN,
Firm of Powers & Weightman, Manufacturing Chemists, Ninth and Brown-sts., Phil'a.

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WASHINGTON.

The Senate ... Treaty of Washington.

Mr. Colfax's Condition Reported ...

Removal of Murphy, the New York Collector.

WASHINGTON.

Another Day's Debate on the Treaty of Washington.

The Senate Dignity Committee Bearded by Other Obstinate Witnesses.

Mr. Colfax's Condition Reported to be Improving.

Removal of Murphy, the New York Collector, Decided Upon.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CONDITION OF VICE PRESIDENT COLFAX.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The condition of Vice President Colfax is reported by his physician to be much better to-night, and he pronounces him now out of all danger. The Vice President is still so weak, however, that he cannot be removed from the Capitol for several days. Medical authorities are of opinion that he has exhausted himself by over-mental exertion, which, with the bad state of the Senate Chamber, especially during the present executive session, have combined to bring on the attack. He will need very careful treatment for some time, and will be required to abstain from all mental labor during the [illegible] Congress.

THE SENATE

met to-day at half past 10 o'clock, and, after electing Mr. Anthony President pro tem., immediately [illegible] executive session. It was thought that a vote would be taken this afternoon, but Mr. Casserly got the floor, and made a speech of five hours' length against the treaty. When he had finished, the Senate had so thinned out that it was thought advisable not to force a vote until to-morrow. It is now the intention to take a vote either to-morrow afternoon or evening. The Senate has several other treaties to act upon, after the present one is disposed of. The treaty of commerce between the United States and Italy, the postal treaty between the United States and San Salvador, and the treaty extending the time for the Mexican Commission, are to be considered. But little time will be required to dispose of them.

TAXATION AND TARIFF.

The Senate Committee on Finance, acting under authority granted before the session closed, met to-day. Sub-committees were appointed on special portions of investigation relating to the general question of readjusting the tariff and internal revenue. The object [illegible] rates will afford revenue about equal to the actual requirements of the government.

THE TOLEDO OFFICES.

Representative Peck, of Toledo, has been here nearly a week, insisting that the principal officers of his district shall be changed to suit his desires. Thus far the result has been to cause the nomination of John W. Fuller as Collector of Internal Revenue.

NOMINATION REJECTED.

The Senate to-day rejected the nomination of Orren B. Ingalls, of Belvidere, Ill., upon representation of General Farnsworth, who objected to-day.

MURPHY TO BE REMOVED.

It is stated by gentlemen on intimate terms at the White House that the removal of Collector Murphy, of New York, was determined on to-day.

THE DIGNITY COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE

has had a long session to-day, and is still at work at a late hour to-night. [illegible] The chief business of the day and evening has been an attempt to force the telegraph manager and operators to tell all they know about the despatches concerning the publication of the treaty. [illegible]

(To the Associated Press.)

LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Subscriptions to the new loan to-day were [illegible]

[illegible]

SIGNAL STATION WANTED.

A petition has been received at the War Department [illegible] signal station at Cape May. The Secretary of War has ordered the station to be occupied.

INDIANA.

A State Prison Commissioner Ousted—Decoration Day—The Milligan Case at Indianapolis—Suicide.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

[illegible]

MICHIGAN.

The Fight Over the St. Clair County Seat.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DETROIT, May 23.—The situation of the St. Clair County seat fight is set forth in the following appeal to the [illegible] from Port Huron:

[illegible]

Fires.

[illegible]

Telegraphic Brevities.

[illegible]

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

Robbery at Lake View.

[illegible] afternoon, a couple of men claiming to be peddlers, entered the house of Mr. Grubb, in the town of Lake View. They gave their respective names as Gross Kaufmann and Morris Tanzig. Mrs. Grubb was from home at the time, but Mr. Grubb, seeing that the goods offered for sale were cheap, resolved on purchasing some. [illegible]

Amusements.

[illegible]

Accident.

[illegible]

Another Foetus Mystery.

[illegible]

Yesterday's Fires.

[illegible]

Fatal Accident.

[illegible]

Miscellaneous.

[illegible]

Roddin & Hamilton

[illegible]

Caution.

[illegible]

Obituary.

[illegible]

JEWELRY.

Opening of Messrs. Giles, Bro. & Co.'s New Store on State Street.

What One Can Buy for $60,000—Also what a Smaller Amount Will Do.

[illegible]

GAMES AND PASTIMES.

Base Ball.

[illegible]

The Turf.

[illegible]

Pugilistic.

[illegible]

The Trigger.

[illegible]

THE "WAYS THAT ARE DARK" OF OUR POLICE AUTHORITIES.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

[illegible]

SUICIDE.

[illegible]

The Babcock Extinguisher.

[illegible]

Cod Liver Oil.

[illegible]

War Department Meteorological Bulletin.

[illegible]

BUSINESS NOTICES.

[illegible]

MARRIED.

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DIED.

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AUCTION SALES.

By JULIUS SPEYER,

LADIES' & GENT'S Furnishing Goods

By C. H. GILBERT & CO.,

To Grocers, Dealers, and Others.

By REED, FLERSHEIM & CO.,

DRY GOODS, HOSIERY, LINENS, &c.

By J. H. PIKE,

Furniture & General Household Goods.

AMUSEMENTS.

CROSBY'S OPERA HOUSE.

LYDIA THOMPSON TROUPE.

PARIS, Or the Apple of Discord.

LAST WEEK OF THE PARIS PAVILION CIRCUS.

New and Startling Sensations.

LEILA AND ZOE.

HOOLEY'S OPERA HOUSE.

THE LAURIS, THE WALHALLAS,

Wednesday and Saturday Matinees.

EXTRA ANNOUNCEMENT.

McVICKER'S THEATRE.

LAST WEEK OF THE SEASON.

The Brilliant Little Star,

LOTTA.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

DEARBORN THEATRE.

MANNING'S MINSTRELS

A GREAT HIT. A DECIDED TRIUMPH.

POCAHONTAS.

AND YET I AM NOT HAPPY.

METROPOLITAN HALL.

The New Northwest.

A lecture will be delivered at Metropolitan Hall by HON. S. GARFIELD.

AID FOR THE ORPHANS.

AUCTION SALES.

By Wm. A. BUTTERS & CO.

Oil Paintings AT AUCTION,

On WEDNESDAY, May 24, '71, At 2 1-2 o'clock p.m.,

At WM. A. BUTTERS & CO.'S Auction Rooms, 5, 7, 9 and 11 Randolph-st.

ALSO, A Valuable Panorama.

WM. A. BUTTERS & CO., Auctioneers.

Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Standard Prints, Pacific Delaines, Piques, Cloths, Cassimeres, Clothing, Ladies' Summer Skirts, Velvet Grenadines, Linen Damasks, Fine Linens, Shawls, &c., AT AUCTION.

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THE PROPERTY OF CHAS. CLEAVER, Esq.,

AT AUCTION,

On Wednesday, May 31,

At the Salesrooms of WM. A. BUTTERS & CO.

ELEGANT BRICK RESIDENCE,

HANDSOME BRICK RESIDENCE,

GENTEEL FRAME RESIDENCE,

Homes can be Purchased at Great Bargains.

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A Splendid Sale of New, Stylish and Seasonable

BOOTS, SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

No Old, Shopworn or Unseasonable Goods will be found in this sale.

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By COLBY & WIRTS.

By D. LONG.

Regular Wednesday Sale.

By WILLIAM BUTLER.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

[illegible]

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

[illegible]

SUBURBAN REAL ESTATE.

[illegible]

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

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TO RENT—HOUSES.

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TO RENT—ROOMS.

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TO RENT—STORES, OFFICES, &c.

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FINANCIAL.

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WANTED TO RENT.

[illegible]

CLAIRVOYANTS.

[illegible]

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

[illegible]

MISCELLANEOUS.

[illegible]

BOARDING AND LODGING.

[illegible]

BOARD WANTED.

[illegible]

MACHINERY.

[illegible]

LOST AND FOUND.

[illegible]

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

[illegible]

HELP WANTED—MALE.

[illegible]

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

[illegible]

FOR SALE.

[illegible]

TO LEASE.

[illegible]

INSTRUCTION.

[illegible]

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

[illegible]

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

[illegible]

BUSINESS CHANCES.

[illegible]

AGENTS WANTED.

[illegible]

PARTNERS WANTED.

[illegible]

HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

[illegible]

PERSONAL.

[illegible]

SEWING MACHINES.

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